

SENATE BILL 2981

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-2509, relative to disposition of property acquired for nonpayment of property taxes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-2509(d), is amended by adding the following language as new subsection (4):

(4) In any county having a population in excess of eight hundred thousand (800,000), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, in lieu of the sale to private purchasers as provided in subsection (b), the proper officers of the municipality or county may convey property permitted to be used for residential purposes to a nonprofit community development corporation for the purpose of constructing or restoring residential dwellings and thereby creating affordable and habitable housing for the disadvantaged and needy. Property so conveyed shall be used for such purpose and shall upon construction or restoration of the residential dwelling be conveyed to an individual or family for use as an owner-occupied residence. Such property may be conveyed on terms deemed appropriate to the proper officers of the municipality or county, except that under no circumstances shall the nonprofit community development corporation be required to pay the taxes, penalties or interest for which the property was sold.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.